



American Indian Monument Shows that History Repeats Itself

Defense Supply Center Richmond (DSCR) will honor its American Indian heritage by dedicating a monument that marks the site where prehistoric artifacts were discovered. The monument will be dedicated on June 19, 2002. The ceremony will begin at 1 p.m.

The artifacts are evidence of an American Indian presence on this site during 3,500BC - 1,500BC.

It is believed that the site was used seasonally as a procurement site. It is interesting to note that the modern-day procurement center at DSCR was also a procurement site during the late archaic period.

The monument consists of a white granite base from Georgia that was carved and lettered by A.P. Gappone and Sons. Brown granite from Vermont was carved into a large spearhead design by the Vermont quarry and sent to the Gappone company to place on the white granite base.

The past chairman of the American Indian Special Emphasis Committee, Ed Jones, provided the initial design for the monument. The brown granite spearhead on the monument replicates one of the artifacts found at the site.

The ceremony will be held at the monument on 3rd Street next to the Child Development Center.